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7 at Collector's New Hours

Margaret E. Ferranti, town
collector announced the new
office hours starting Jan. 2.
The office is open daily from
9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. every
day but there will be no more
Thurs. eve office hours.

PROPER CARE for ICE-DAMAGED TREES & SHRUBS

Many New England landscapes
have been damaged by one of the
worst ice storms in recent years. The
Massachusetts Nurserymen's
Association suggests that home
owners have an opportunity now to
help their outdoor plants recover
from storm damage by taking the
following few simple steps.

Trees receiving the greatest
damage from broken branches have
been the soft-wooded Chinese Elm,
Silver Maple, Swamp Red Maple,
Linden, Willow, Flowering Dogwood,
and the clumps of Birch and Lilac.
Several of these trees were planted
for their rapid growth and their
ability to provide shade and privacy.
The MNA does not condemn the use
of these trees for these reasons, but it
does recommend that they be
planted safely away from homes,
streets, and utility wires. The
greatest damage from broken
branches and cracked bark will be
infection from decay which can
eventually destroy the tree. Branch
stubs and jagged wounds should be
cut smooth and flush with the trunk,
or with the next largest branches.
These wounds should be protected
from infection by covering them
properly with tree healing paint.

Many branches which have been
bent or cracked can be saved if they
are tied securely and positioned
properly and if exposed wood along
the cracks is painted. Large branches
which have been cracked slightly
should be pruned so there will be less
weight to support during the years
needed for complete healing.

Evergreens with weak or multiple
trunks have shown the usual bending
and breaking. Arborvitae, Juniper,
and Columnar Yews are most often
injured by ice or snow. Most of these
injured branches will be saved by
tying them to each other, to a stick,
or to a building after the ice and the
branches have thawed. Frozen or
ice-covered branches may be
damaged if handled carelessly before
thawing. Serious injury can also re-
sult from pouring water on frozen
evergreens and shrubs.

The MNA points out that proper
landscape plants are a valuable part
of most home properties. Their value
and beauty will be increased with a
few minutes of protective care before
future winter storms threaten more
damage.

Agawam Coin Club Meet

On Wed., Jan. 15, at 7:30 P.M. at
the Agawam Baptist Church the
Agawam Coin Club will have as its
speaker, Mr. Joseph Secondo, who
will speak on the subject, "U.S. War
Decorations of the Civil War, Spanish
American War and W.W.I." Mr.
Secondo will also have a display of
medals from the Civil War to the
present. Any veteran or other inter-
ested person is cordially invited to
attend. There will be a short business
meeting, an auction, a raffle, door
prize and refreshments.

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT: One of the
reasons that today's apples, even
from standard storage in mid-winter,
are firmer than they were years ago,
is because they are sprayed with
growth-regulators that delay maturity
and reduce "premature drop" at fall
harvest time.

METCO - YES OR NO?

by Florence Moreno

Last December 5, there was a column written by Robert and Sonia
Whelan, of West Springfield, in the W.S. Record, entitled "Metco - Yes or
No?" This was so well written, that with the permission of the authors, I
am re-printing it here intact. I hope my readers will find it as interesting as
I did.

METCO-YES OR NO?

by Robert and Sonia Whelan

We were among the 400 town
residents who attended the pre-
sentation of the METCO PLAN to
West Springfield on November
14th. It is well to witness democ-
racy in action as it was re-
vealed in this open school com-
mittee meeting. As in any new
situation, fear was also revealed.
Fear is totally justified in many
instances but it is when fear
clouds our judgment that we must
examine it honestly. These are
the fears most often voiced, and
our answers to them.

1. "How much will it cost the
town?"

Answer: Nothing. The money
has already been appropriated by
a special committee under state
law to reimburse towns for their
participation in the METCO
PLAN, thereby relieving racially
imbalanced schools and providing
equal educational opportunities.

2. "That just means money out
of our pockets through taxes."

Answer: The premise is cor-
rect. But be realistic! There
are billions of dollars currently
being spent on government pro-
grams in a belated attempt to
correct the failures related back
to substandard, segregated
schools; school drop-outs, un-
employment, delinquency, crime,
illiteracy, ignorance and perpe-
trated poverty. This is where
our tax dollars are going. They
would be better spent on preven-
tion through improved education,
in attitudes as well as acade-
mics.

3. "We are already over-
crowded. We have no more room
for additional children."

Answer: When you say "over-
crowded" you are probably re-
ferring to the ideal figure of
25 children to a classroom. In
some cases we have more than
the ideal figure. If we need a
new elementary school in West
Springfield, it will NOT be be-
cause of the addition of METCO
children, but because of the nor-
mal resident growth of the town.
The process of education will not
be hindered by the addition of
20-25 children scattered through-
out the total system.

4. "Negro children from slum
areas might drag down the edu-
cational level of our own child-
ren."

Answer: The Negro families in
question are carefully screened
before being accepted into the
METCO PLAN. The students are
average to above average. Psy-
chologically poorly adjusted child-
ren are eliminated and parental
attitudes are also weighed. This
is far more screening than we
have experienced in presenting
our own children for school.

5. "Our own children may be
bussed to different schools."

Answer: There is NO possibi-
lity within the METCO PLAN of
"reversed bussing;" of sending
our children to ghetto schools.

As far as redistributing West
Springfield children, the possi-
bility might arise so let's look
at it squarely. We are parents
of seven children attending pub-
lic schools here. During our ten
years in one house they have tra-
veled by foot and bus to seven
schools: Fausey, McDonough, Old
Tatham, New Tatham, Junior
High School, Cowing School and
West Springfield High School. Not
one has suffered by the experi-
ence. On the contrary, it has been
one more step in the process of
learning to adapt. We are indeed
fortunate that these have been the
choices and not those within the
hopeless ghetto boundaries.

6. "The Negroes don't want
bussing. It will be hard on the
Negro children."

Answer: Some of them don't
want bussing. Families are not
obliged to participate. They are
given the opportunity to apply for
it. By the same token, our school
committee can terminate the
METCO PLAN if it deems nec-
essary. Neither blacks nor whites
feel that this is the final solution
to all race relations. We all be-
lieve in the neighborhood schools.
But until the ideal situation be-
comes reality it is one infinites-
imal way in which we can partici-
pate in relieving a badly neglect-
ed area - the racially imbalanced
school.

As far as the children's reac-
tion, small children have to ex-
perience and adjust to new situa-
tions every day of their lives.
They learn to adjust rapidly, es-
pecially when they are unencum-
bered by prejudices. The children
in question are between the kin-
dergarten to 4th grade age range
and volunteer "host families"
would stand by for emergency
help.

CONCLUSION: We would ask
that you examine your fears hon-
estly. A legitimate concern will
stand scrutiny. But if your partic-
ular concern is one of those stat-
ed here, perhaps it is cloaking
a deeper fear and needs re-
examining.

Most of our West Springfield
children are missing an impor-
tant factor in their total educa-
tion. They have no first hand as-
sociation with American Negroes.
They have only secondhand atti-
tudes handed down by their par-
ents which are not adequate for
personal understanding in today's
world. The METCO PLAN IS
working in the schools where it
now exists because people have
opened their minds and hearts
to the two fold need: to respond
to the plight of a less fortunate
human being and to recognize the
means by which better under-
standing can be achieved. We urge
you to support the METCO PLAN
and make your feelings known to
your school committee.

LOCAL ITEMS CAN NOT BE
ACCEPTED AFTER MON.
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Office of the Planning Board

The Agawam Planning Board cordially invites all interested
citizens of the Town to attend the public hearings to be held
at the Agawam Jr. High School Auditorium on Tuesday,
January 14, 1969.

8:00 P.M. Amend the Zoning By-Law, Residence B so that
it will now read: No lot shall have a frontage of less than 100
feet on a street or an area less than twelve thousand square
feet.

8:30 P.M. Amend the Zoning By-Law, Residence B by
deleting from said section, paragraph (3) which reads: A
dwelling house of not more than four families.

9:00 P.M. Zone change from Residence A-2 to Business A
for a parcel of land at the intersection of Main and Reed
Streets.

9:30 P.M. Amend present A-3 Zoning By-Law.

Congress and Conservation - 1968

On the positive side, 1968's
accomplishments included: The Land
and Water Conservation Fund was
strengthened. Two new national
parks were created - Redwood and
North Cascades. A National Wild and
Scenic Rivers System and a National
Trails System were established.
Several areas were added to the
nation's wilderness system.

On the negative side, the
Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968--
originated in the House Public Works
Committee -- weakened safeguards
enacted in previous years to protect
parks and recreation areas from en-
croachment by highways and airports
and virtually emasculated the High-
way Beautification Act. The same
House Public Works Committee
failed to act early enough on pro-
posed amendments to the Federal
Water Pollution Control Act. The
delay and a lobbying campaign in the
closing days of the 90th Congress
resulted in the death of needed im-
provements in the water pollution
control law.

Then there were these mixed

blessings: Congress passed the first
federal legislation designed to cope
with the problem of noise pollution.
But the new law's potential effective-
ness is doubtful. Congress passed a
weakened bill calling for an inventory
and study of the nation's estuaries,
fast being polluted or filled. But
Congress appropriated no funds for
the study.

OFFSHORE OIL POLLUTION CON- TROL "ESSENTIAL"

"Offshore installations such as
drilling rigs are potentially serious
contributors to pollution of our
beaches, shellfish beds, and swim-
ming areas. Their control is es-
sential, if not more so, than that of
passing vessels; therefore we urge the
House to accept this compromise." So
said Senator Jennings Randolph
of West Virginia, chairman of the
Senate Public Works Committee, on
October 12, 1968. The House did not
accept the compromise and this dis-
pute on oil pollution control was one
of the reasons for the death of all
amendments to the Federal Water
Pollution Control Act in 1968.

ARMORIES

RENOVATION goes to REINHARDT

The Springfield architectural and
engineering firm of Reinhardt
Associates, Inc., has begun
preliminary meetings with Mass.
National Guard officials in prepa-
ration for renovation programs the
firm will direct at National Guard
armories in Orange and Holyoke.

Reinhardt Associates official
Douglas C. Goodman said the two
armory contracts cover \$42,000
worth of work at each location.

The contract was awarded the
firm by the Mass. Bureau of Building
Construction.

Mr. Goodman said this is the first
major renovation program at the two
armories in recent years.

Following meetings with National
Guard officials plans will be pre-
pared, and it is anticipated that the
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NIH RESEARCH FOR HEALTH

A REPORT FROM
THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH
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Burkitt's Lymphoma

A type of cancer common in Africa, called Burkitt's lymphoma, is of great interest to U.S. scientists because it responds well to drug treatment, and is believed to be a virus-caused form of cancer. The disease is under intensive study in the hope that it will provide clues to more effective treatment of patients with related forms of cancer.

Burkitt's lymphoma is a form of cancer affecting the lymphatic system, the part of the circulatory system that plays a major role in a person's ability to fight infection. It is usually confined to one or two regions of the body—particularly the jaw and abdomen. Although a few cases of this disease have been reported in the United States and Europe, it occurs most frequently among African children.

The disease was first identified by Denis Burkitt, a British surgeon who reported his findings in 1958 while at Makerere College Medical School in Kampala, Uganda. In 1960 he pioneered the use of drugs in the treatment of the lymphoma and found that 15 to 20 percent of his patients responded favorably.

Burkitt's lymphoma is usually found in a geographic belt extending across central Africa from east to west. The disease occurs almost exclusively at elevations below 5,000 feet and at temperatures above 60 degrees Fahrenheit, in regions where the annual rainfall is greater than 20 inches. This low, humid area is the habitat of man-biting mosquitoes, among which are known carriers of viral diseases.

So far, two types of virus particles have been identified in specimens from patients with Burkitt's lymphoma. One is a herpes type virus, similar in size and shape to the family of

viruses that cause fever sores and shingles. The other is closely related to the so-called reovirus, which is widespread in man but is not known to cause any major diseases. These virus particles are being studied intensively in an attempt to find out whether Burkitt's lymphoma is caused by either of them.

Chemotherapy (the use of drugs) is the preferred treatment for Burkitt's lymphoma. Drugs used include methotrexate, cyclophosphamide, vincristine, cytoxan, orthomorphalan, and melphalan. Of 245 patients treated by various groups of investigators in Kenya, Nigeria, and Uganda, 38 patients survived without further evidence of cancer for one to seven years after the start of therapy. This is one of the best remission rates achieved by drugs in the treatment of human cancer.

Under terms of a research contract signed recently by the National Institutes of Health and African medical authorities, a Lymphoma Treatment Center has been established at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda. Particular study will be given to patients with Burkitt's lymphoma at the new Center.

The responses of African patients treated with drugs and stimulation of their immune systems (the body's defense mechanism against disease) will be measured and compared with responses of American patients with lymphoma and related types of cancer receiving similar treatment at the National Cancer Institute, a component of the National Institutes of Health, in Bethesda, Maryland.

Findings will be correlated with an ongoing National Cancer Institute study of environmental and genetic factors that may effect an African's development of lymphoma and his response to treatment.

Legal Notices

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampden SS Probate Court
To all persons interested in the estate of EDWARD D. PRENTISS late of Agawam, in said County of Hampden, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last Will of said deceased by MAX C. ABRAMS of Springfield, in the County of Hampden, praying that he or some other suitable person be appointed administrator with the Will annexed of said estate.

If you desire thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-eighth day of January 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of December 1968.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register
Jan. 9, 16, 23

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Hampden SS Probate Court
To all persons interested in the estate of SILVIO MARTINELLI late of Agawam, in said County, deceased.

The executrix of the will of said SILVIO MARTINELLI has presented to said Court for allowance her first and final account.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Springfield before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twenty-fourth day of January 1969, the return day of this citation.

Witness, ABRAHAM I. SMITH, Esquire, First Judge of Said Court, this third day of December 1968.

JOHN J. LYONS, Register.
Jan. 2, 9, 16

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ATHLETIC FITNESS CLINIC at K of C MEETING

Coaches, athletes and fans are reminded of the invitation to attend a free track & field clinic featuring some of the country's top coaches and Olympians this weekend on the eve of the famed Knights of Columbus Meet in Boston.

The third annual clinic, sponsored by H.P. Hood & Sons' Physical Fitness Program in conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Meet, will be held Fri. (Jan. 10) at 8 P.M. in the Madison Room of the Hotel Madison, adjoining Boston Garden.

Headline speakers will include Boston University's Billy Smith (middle-distance running and hurdles), MIT's Art Farnham (long-distance running), U-Conn's Bob Kennedy (field events), former Olympian and many-time national champion Bob Backus (special weight training programs) and Mexico City Bronze Medal winner George Young (distance training methods).

Discussions will cover all major track & field events and training at both high school and collegiate levels.

Knights of Columbus Meet director Ding Dussault of Tufts will coordinate the clinic for the Hood dairy company, and a snack will be served following the clinic.

Well, What Do You Know? fun, games and knowledge

by MARTHA GLAUBER SHAPP, Editor, The New Book of Knowledge

Does a larger brain mean greater intelligence?

Not necessarily. For instance, man is the most intelligent member of the animal kingdom, yet his brain is smaller and weighs less than those of some animals. Man's brain weighs about 3 pounds, while an elephant's weighs about 10 pounds. The clue to intelligence may be in the cortex, the surface covering of the brain. Intelligence seems to be related to the amount of folding in the cortex.

How do ants find their way?

Some ants get their bearings from landmarks. Others use the direction of the sun's rays. It has also been found that some ants lay scent trails as they walk along, by touching the tips of their abdomens to the ground from time to time. As they do this they secrete the scent. In some cases scent patches also have a shape that tells other ants the direction in which the first ant was traveling. You can demonstrate this by reversing a chip or some such object over which a column of ants is passing. The ants at once become confused. It is as if an arrow had been turned backward.

Who were the cliff dwellers?

The cliff dwellers were the ancestors of the Pueblo Indians. They were called the Anasazi, an Indian word for "Ancient Ones." The Anasazi lived mainly in the area now known as Four Corners—the area where Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona, and Utah meet. The cliff dwellers are remembered for their great stone villages built on the tops of mesas

or on the terraced sides of cliffs. Some of these structures stood several stories high. Cliff Palace at Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado contained more than 100 rooms.

How does night change into day?

The earth rotates, or spins, on its axis from west to east. The direction of the earth's rotation makes the sun appear to rise in the east and set in the west. The earth makes a complete rotation once every 24 hours. This is the earth's day. As each part of the



earth faces the sun, it is in daylight. As it faces away it is in night. At any one time during the earth's day, about half of the earth is in daylight while the other half is in night. You can show how the earth rotates and how night changes into day. Place a lighted flashlight on a table. Hold an orange in the flashlight beam and rotate the orange. The part of the orange lighted by the beam is in daylight, and the other part is in night. In the same way, day and night are caused by the earth's rotation.

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Consumer news

Do you know that...

The young man "working his way through college" who sold you that magazine sub. not only doesn't attend college, but has no intention of going to college and is probably laughing his way to the bank...

The Co. advertising a beautiful, large swimming pool for \$600 won't sell it to you at that price, but they'll be happy to sign you up for a \$3000 one...

The nice man who offers to put aluminum siding on your house and use it as a "model" home will have you sign up for a \$4000 mortgage and will foreclose if you don't pay him...

The transmission repair shop to which you bring your car for an estimate may remove parts and replace them with "junk" parts while they are "examining" it...

The frozen food plan that lets you "feed your family for \$15 a week!" includes signing a contract to buy a freezer costing you \$700 more than it would from a store...

The wig labeled "100% finest human hair" may well be synthetic...

The call your husband got from "Murphy down at the station" asking him to take an ad in the "Police Digest" was from a phony police organization...and that women aren't the only ones who get fooled by fast talking con men?

Do you know that...

If you have been cheated in one of these, or countless other ways, you are not alone? For some businessmen, everyday is sock-it-to-me time for consumers, not only in Mass but throughout the nation.

In 1967, immediately upon assuming the office of Attorney Gen.

.....From Attorney General, Elliot L. Richardson.

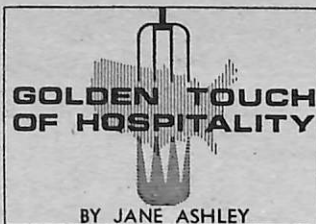
I established as part of my office a Consumer Protection Div. which would investigate, and, if necessary, prosecute violations of our state's laws in the area of consumer fraud, deceptive advertising practices and conspiracies to fix prices.

The C.P.D. is taking vigilant action against the frauds outlined above and other illegal activities. Its investigations have resulted in numerous Assurances of Discontinuance being entered into with companies or individuals engaging in unlawful activities, and the issuing of court injunctions and civil and criminal complaints.

Nevertheless, as active as this Division may be in curtailing fraud, the best protection against fraud still is an informed consumer. Through the good auspices of this paper, I have the opportunity to bring to you the benefits of our experience working with consumer problems and consumer frauds.

In the weeks to come, I will discuss with you in this column the many pitfalls which await the unwary in the market-place, alert you to some common deceptive practices against which you should guard, tell you about some of the organizations which exist to also aid you and describe the work of my office and the laws which exist to protect consumers in Mass. Read it and become a more informed consumer.

The C.P.D. exists to help you and to remedy consumer complaints. If you have one contact: Attorney General Elliot Richardson, Consumer Protection Division, State House, Boston, 02133.



Variations On A Sauce

A recipe for a good medium white sauce is handy whether dressing up fish, vegetables or croquettes.

Medium White Sauce

2 tablespoons margarine
1 tablespoon corn starch
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon pepper
1 cup milk

Melt margarine in saucepan. Blend in corn starch, salt and pepper. Remove from heat. Gradually add milk, mixing until smooth. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens, comes to boil and boils 1 minute. Vary and use as suggested below. Makes about 1 cup.

For Fish: Mix in 2 tablespoons toasted chopped blanched almonds or 1/4 cup finely shredded cheese.

For Asparagus, Broccoli or Spinach: Mix in 2 chopped hard cooked eggs.

For Croquettes, Fish Cakes or Boiled Potatoes: Mix in 1 tablespoon chopped parsley.



ENTERTAINING NOTIONS

Planning a party? Plot your way out of panic with time-saving sprays to add gaiety without adding to the time you have to spend on decking the halls any time in the year. Here are a few ideas for making instant party atmosphere.

For the windows: If nature's a slow poke during winter, try trimming your windows with a splash of one of the glass cleaner sprays. The touch of "frost" around the edges of the windows adds a pretty backdrop to lights — and the aerosol cleaner makes post-party grime melt faster than a snowflake.

For a gay buffet: Looking for a new backdrop for the punch bowl? Spray-paint an old tray in green, gold, or silver, drop a little glitter dust on it before the paint dries. If you use either a silver or glass punch bowl, both the sprayed-on color and glitter will reflect in the bowl.

Wet weather protection: If you're giving a party and it rains, snows or hails — expect boots and rubbers to be added to the decor. Try spraying the bottom of a plastic runner with skid-proof spray, then spray gold paint on the corners (and maybe an initial or your name if you're really inspired). This makes an instant "welcome mat" for foul weather footwear.

Did you count the canapes? Sometimes the largest mound of appetizers can melt faster than the ice in the punch bowl. Keep several kinds of aerosol cheese spread and extra boxes of crackers at the ready in the kitchen. Then if you run short, you won't short change your guests — you can spray a tray of canapes in about five minutes.

Guest supplies: While you're fixing up the house — don't forget the extra, small-size aerosols to keep in guest bathrooms or wherever the ladies freshen up. A hint for these: personalize them by spraying a wall shelf with initials or a rim of the same color you're using as your party color. It all helps to personalize a party with pushbuttons.

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The first-aid specialist instructing a class of Girl Scouts, asked, "Why does a surgeon wear a mask while performing an operation?"

One little girl replied, "So that if he makes a mess of it, the patient won't know who did it."

Casting director to starlet: "Your voice is okay, sweetie, but we'll have to dub in your acting."

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Nicholas Demho Becomes Junior Member of the American Angus Association

Nicholas Demho, 16, Agawam, has been granted a junior membership in the American Angus Association at St. Joseph, Missouri, announces Lloyd D. Miller, Secretary.

This new junior membership entitles the member to register purebred Angus at regular membership rates and to the privileges of the Association until the age of 21. At that time junior members are eligible to convert to lifetime memberships in the Association.

There were 178 young people in the United States to receive junior memberships last month.

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A 14th District combined meeting of the Agawam Jr. Women's Club, The South Hadley Jr. Women's Club and the Ramopogue Jr. Women's Club will be held Mon., Jan. 13 at the church of The Good Shepherd in West Springfield at 8:00 P.M.

The clubs will host the following State Federation guests. Mrs. Clarence F. Clark, Pres. of the Mass. State Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Paul E. Congdon, V.P. and Counselor to Jr. Membership; Mrs. Albie R. Petruzzo, Director of Jr. Membership; Mrs. Franklin B. Hignett, Assistant Director; Mrs. Gary Lockwood, Public Affairs Chairman, and Mrs. William J. Miller, member of the State Nominating Committee.

Mrs. John H. Bodurtha, 14th District Representative, will, conduct the meeting.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Mrs. George Millman, humorist, whose topic will be "A Young Man's Fancy". Hostesses representing each club for the evening are Mrs. Rene Leclerc, South Hadley, Mrs. Edward Shore, Ramopogue, and Mrs. Jeremiah C. Quill, Agawam.

SCHOOL MENUS

January 13 - 17

MILK SERVED WITH ALL MEALS

PHELPS SCHOOL

MON.: veg. soup, PB & jelly sand., cheese sticks, orange wedges, cookie, TUES.: ju., ov. fr. chick., crnbry. sc., mash. pot., ker. corn, B&B, ice cream. WED.: ju., hmbg. on bun, slic. onions & rel., but. car., choco. ck. w/but. icing. THURS.: ju., toasted hm. & cheese roll, but. gr. beans, pot. chips, PB sand., peaches, FRI.: fish sticks, ov. bk. beans, cab. & car. salad, B&B, Mary Jane cake.

GRANGER SCHOOL

MON.: ju., frank on bun, rel. & must., pot. chips, but. veg., apple crisp, TUES.: ju., hm. & cheese on roll, pot. sticks, ker. corn, white ck. w/fudge sauce, WED.: shell mac., w/mt. & tom. sauce, but. gr. beans, B&B, slic. peaches, THURS.: oven. fr. chick., par. pot., but. beets, B&B, jello w/whip. top, FRI.: ju., gril. cheese sand., but. car., spice ck.,

PEIRCE SCHOOL

MON.: bf. pot pie w/pot. top., but. lf. spin., PB & jelly sand., slic. peaches, TUES.: org. ju., gril. frank., hash brown pot., but. gr. beans, cheese squares, B&B, choco. pud. w/top., WED.: turk. rice soup w/veg., turk. salad sand., car. & cel. sticks, cit. fruit cup, PB cookie, THURS.: bk. mac. w/hmbg. & tom., but. car., cheese or PB sand., fruit. jello w/top. FRI.: org. ju., tuna pot. cas. au gratin, but. peas, B&B, choco. ck. w/but. icing.

DANAHY SCHOOL

MON.: ju., frank on roll, car. & peas, applesauce ck., TUES.: veg. soup, mt. sand. & PB sand., cookies, car. sticks, fr. fruit, WED.: mac. w/mt. sc., br. beans, cheese wedge, B&B, peaches, THURS.: ju., tst. hm. & cheese, pot. chips, mix. veg., cookies, fruit, FRI.: ju., tuna sand., PB sand., cab. & car. salad, pot. chips, cookies, fruit.

SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
MON.: org. ju., turk. noodle soup w/veg., cel. sticks, chop. hm. salad on rye, cit. cup, THUS.: bk. shell mac. w/mt. & tom. sc., fruit slaw salad, Pb on rye, apple crisp, WED.: chick. in gry. on mash. pot., crnbry sc., peas & car., but. pan biscuit, spic. ck. w/fruit top., THURS.: org. ju., bk. hash, but. broc., PB & homey on rye, krunch bars, FRI.: bk. beans., fish cake, cab. & car. salad, hm. Yeast roll, cit. jello w/top.,

ROBINSON PARK SCHOOL
MON.: org. ju., mt. ball. grinders w/sc., cab. & car. salad, pineapple ck. w/top., TUES.: tom. soup, car. sticks, hm. & rel. sand., PB cookie org wedge, WED.: cit. ju., frank on roll, must. & rel., but. corn, pot. chips, raisin ck. w/but. frost., THURS.: shell mac. w/mt. sc., but. gr. beans, PB sand., slic. peaches, FRI.: ju., tuna fish sand., PB sand., fr. fries, but. car., fruit.

JR. HIGH SCHOOL
MON.: ju., slop. joe on bun, but. car., fruit, cup, PB cookie, TUES.: ju., grinders, pot. chips, pickles, apricot sc. w/cookie, WED.: hmbg. on bun. ju., gr. beans, PB sand., slic. peaches, THURS.: ju., mac. w/mt. balls, cab. car. salad, fruit cup, B&B, cookie. FRI.: ju., gril. cheese sand., hm. bk. beans, tos. salad, but. ck. w/choco. sc.,

HIGH SCHOOL

MON.: org. ju., cold cut. grind., let. & tom. slices, PB sand., walnut ck. w/b. icing, TUES.: el. mac. w/tom., mt. & cheese sauce., cab. & car. salad, B&B, apricot upside down ck., WED.: org. ju., tst. hm. & cheese roll, But. gr. beans, PB sand., apple crisp, THURS.: hmbg. gravy, mash. pot., but. spin., B&B, peaches, FRI.: org. ju., tuna sailboat, gard. salad w/spin. grns., PB sand., bluebry pie square.

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Nature's Ways

by Wayne Hanley
Mass. Audubon Society

Perhaps most of us first knew the slate-colored junco as "the snowbird."

These are the small, sparrow-sized birds that have a plumage pattern that reminds one of the purple-topped turnip-dark above and white below. Many persons notice them because they visit near homes in the winter and they have bills which appear to be white. All textbooks refer to the bill as "pinkish" but its contrast with the slate head color makes it appear white.

We think of these birds as hardbingers of winter and associate them with snow. The truth is, however, that the slate-colored junco can be found in all New England states except Rhode Island in summer. It is not a reliable summer bird in Connecticut but does occur there some summers in the higher elevations.

In fact, the slate-colored junco breeds all the way down the Appalachian crest into northern Georgia. The reason few persons see them in summer lies in the fact that so few of us spend much time on mountain tops. For the junco essentially is a cold weather bird and it breeds either in the near arctic, or it moves southward to the mountain or hilltops that provide cool summer weather.

Even though most persons are familiar with adult juncos, they probably would not recognize the young that fly about mountain top thickets in summer. The young of the year are dingy little sparrows with dark stripes that run the length of the body. By fall, all juncos, young and old, have adopted the turnip pattern of dark feather on the back and chest and white beneath.

In many respects, the junco is our most reliable winter visitor—at least in

southern New England. The winter population in northern Maine and northern New Hampshire usually is rather sparse. They are, in fact, more comm in summer in these northern regions. But many winter even as far north as Quebec. To test whether there are juncos in the neighborhood, all one need do is throw a few handfuls of bird feed on the lawn. If juncos are abundant, there should be a few eating the seed within hours. If they are present, but not abundant, it might require a week to attract them. Once they find a reliable handout of seed, they are likely to remain in the neighborhood all winter. They are worth having around because they eat many weed seeds during the winter.

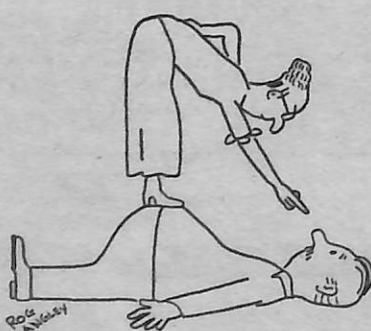
The late Edward Howe Forbush wrote of the junco: "A bleak gray day in early winter—bare trees standing stark and black against a background of white snow—and in a sheltered, brush-filled corner, a flock of lively slate-colored junco has been aptly described as 'leadens skies above, snow below,' and it is with days such as these that many people in New England associate this friendly little visitor."

Forbush commented that the junco was the only bird he saw around the railroad station at the summit of Mt. Washington and that in Tuckerman's Ravine they bathed in the melting snow water "with much fluttering and splashing of spray."

It reminded him, Forbush said, "of other muncos I have watched in midwinter, similarly engaged in bathing, but in the light dry snow, just as other sparrows take dust baths in hot weather."



"Father thinks a lot of you, Elliot... most of it bad!"



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